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25 August 1952

TO: []

FROM: []

SUBJECT: Monthly Survey Report - BGFiend/BGFlume - 15 July to 15 August 1952

1. Program Content

HTGrubby broadcast daily in this period except for 17 July and 11 August. Some of the topics treated prominently were the principles of the NCFA, biographies of Communist leaders, the Albanian Army, the refutation of the Communist assertion that the national poets, Dom Nre Mjeda and Naim Frasheri, were Communistic in ideology, and the Mukaj Agreement. [] who debriefed the ZRCrown Scrutiny team, was able to obtain the material used in the talk on "The Heroic Albanian Mother" given on 14 August.

2. Reception in Albania

The Scrutiny team related that they learned from secondary sources that HTGrubby was heard in Elbasan. However, they stated, the people are so terrified of the Communist spies that no one dares to discuss the program or pass on any of our messages. [] sent one of his men to monitor HTGrubby in Brindisi from 4 July to 9 July, and the reception there was fair. The recommendation made to utilize another wavelength will be discussed with our technicians.

An unconfirmed report passed to us by the local Radio Free Europe office and based on statements by crew members of Italian vessels which recently stopped at Durres, states that "a large quantity of electronic equipment of Soviet manufacture was discharged in Durazzo harbor on May 27-28 from the Soviet vessel 'Petro Veliki' for the use of radio Tirana in jamming western broadcasts to Albania." As yet there have been no reliable indications of a consistent effort to jam HTGrubby's broadcasts.

3. Personnel

[]'s return to HTGrubby was a welcome boost in meeting the workload so that it has become possible to grant a week's vacation to each member of the staff, the first one granted them since they commenced their assignment. [] informed [] that his visa and other papers are in order for departure to the United States about November of this year.

4. Change of Safehouse Site

Since we have been utilizing the same safehouse for almost two years, and there was one instance of report made to Intelligence by a Greek informant.

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that some sort of wireless telegraphy outfit was operating at our safehouse, it was decided to move our site to a suitable apartment by the end of August.

5. Leaflets

Two leaflet drops were carried out during the period 15 July-15 August. On 28 July a full load of leaflets totaling 3,885 pounds was dropped including the following:

500,000	Radio Announcement leaflet
50,000	Shqipëria for 1 February 1952
50,000	" " 15 February 1952
50,000	" " 1 May 1952
25,000	Government of Thieves leaflet
22,000	Today and Tomorrow leaflet

On 4 August a cover drop was carried out which included 1,525 pounds of leaflets as follows:

180,000	Symbols (leaflets)
50,000	Shqipëria for 15 May 1952
25,000	Government of Thieves (leaflet)
22,000	Today and Tomorrow (leaflet)

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